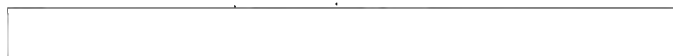




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1. Kashmir

The crisis shows no sign of easing and may well worsen this week-end.

Pakistani forces have resumed their drive in southern Kashmir. They are now some 12 miles into Indian territory and 15 miles from the Akhnur-Poonch highway

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If they cut the road, the Indians, who are already under great pressure to strike back for prestige purposes, may be forced to do so in order to extricate their forces farther north along the ceasefire line.

The Indian response so far, however, has been limited. They are resisting the Pakistani attack and have thrown aircraft into the counteraction. Pakistan claims that some of them intruded into Pakistani air space.

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Neither side gives much sign of a disposition to compromise. U Thant says that the Pakistanis refused to assure him they would stop fighting, while the Indians replied they would only if Pakistan would.

Kashmir developments were probably on the table when the Pakistan foreign minister met with the Chinese Communist foreign minister in Karachi today. Peking's man was passing through on his way to Africa.

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2. Great Britain

London is taking the position that there is an urgent need to bring the confrontation between Malaysia and Indonesia to an end.

British officials at the four-party (US, Australia, New Zealand, and Britain) talks on the implications of Singapore's independence declared yesterday there was little point for Britain to "soldier on." Therefore, they are toying with the idea of an indirect overture to Indonesia, using the possible withdrawal of British troops from Borneo as bait.

It is not clear whether this is anything more than a negotiating tactic to encourage other participants in the talks to pick up a larger piece of the action.

3. France

The French Foreign Ministry says that Polish Premier Cyrankiewicz will be given a "fine reception" by De Gaulle when he visits Paris next week. The show will exceed that given the Rumanian prime minister last year, since De Gaulle considers Poland more important.

4. Indonesia

Sukarno seems to be planning a lengthy foreign tour which would include stops in Italy, Spain, and Mexico.

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Willingness to embark on such a tour would indicate that he has overcome the domestic difficulties that led him to cut short an earlier trip.

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5. Dominican Republic

Garcia Godoy plans to announce his cabinet tonight. He does not intend to name a minister for the armed forces until General Wessin has been taken care of, although how this will be accomplished is not known. The process of disarming the rebels is supposed to get under way today. It will not be made easier by Caamano's public reference yesterday to "fighting on" or by declarations from the Communists that they will not comply.

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6. Vietnam

[redacted] there are 1,500 and perhaps as many as 2,500 Soviet military personnel in North Vietnam now. The bulk of them are probably in the surface-to-air missile units, which very likely are still fully manned by Soviets.

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[redacted] we expect the number of Soviet air defense training and support personnel to increase over the next several months even as North Vietnamese are trained to take over the missiles.

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